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WHO CAN DO IT?

- **MILITARY PERSONNEL** - Persons who are United States citizens, residents* of Tennessee and members of the Uniformed Services (i.e. armed forces personnel) and their family members.
- **CIVILIANS OUTSIDE U.S.** - Persons who are United States citizens, residents* of Tennessee, and who are currently residing overseas.
- **OVERSEAS CITIZEN** - A United States citizen who resides outside the U.S. and, but for living outside the U.S., would be qualified to vote in Tennessee.
- **PERSONS BORN OVERSEAS** - A person who has never lived in the U.S. but has a parent who is eligible to vote in Tennessee may vote in Tennessee in the same voting residence* claimed by their parent.

* **DETERMINATION OF RESIDENCY** - Military personnel and their family members must register based upon where they have, or have had, physical presence and the simultaneous intent to remain or return. For all other purposes, the residence of a person is that place in which the person's habitation is fixed, and to which, whenever the person is absent, the person has a definite intention to return; provided that a person may not register to vote using a business location as the registration address when the sole basis for the person's presence at such location is based on a business or commercial use.

REGISTERING & REQUESTING AN ABSENTEE BALLOT

- **Temporary Registration and Request for Ballot**

An application for an absentee ballot or temporary registration or both may be in any form. Typically, you would use a Federal Post Card Application, also known as a "Form 76 or FPCA". A printable form may be found at this website. www.fvap.gov

The form can be mailed to the **Macon County Election Commission, 111 East Locust Street, Lafayette, TN 37083** or FAXED to **615-666-7469**. The original should still be mailed.

- **Information required on the application**

Name - Social Security Number - Date of Birth - Residential address in Macon County - Address To Which To Mail The Ballot - Political Party (if Election is a Primary) - Reason for Voting Absentee

Application Must Be Signed Under The Penalty of Perjury

- **Registering Permanently - NOT REQUESTING A BALLOT**

Complete a Federal Post Card Application - "Form 76 or FPCA" - and mail it to the Macon County Election Office, 111 East Locust St., Lafayette, TN 37083 so that it is **postmarked** at least 30 days before the date of the election.

- **Already registered but wish to request an absentee ballot**

Send a completed "Form 76 or FPCA" or a written request containing all the above **required** information to the Macon County Election Office, 111 East Locust St., Lafayette, TN 37083.

WHEN MUST THE REQUEST BE MADE FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT?

A Federal Post Card Application should be sent to the Macon County Election Commission Office early every year and whenever there is a change of mailing address.

The completed FPCA (Form 76) or a written request for a ballot must reach the election commission office not earlier than January 1 or ninety (90) days before an election and not later than five (5) days before the election. Ballots will be provided for Federal Elections through that calendar year based on the original FPCA or written request.

WHERE TO SEND THE REGISTRATION FORM OR REQUEST FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT

To Permanently Register, the original Form 76 must be **MAILED** to the Macon County Election Commission, 111 East Locust St., Lafayette, TN 37083.

To Temporarily Register and request an absentee ballot, send the Form 76 to the above address or you may fax the Form to our office at 615-666-7469.

If you are already Permanently Registered and wish to request an absentee ballot, send your request to the above address or FAX the request to the above number.

Remember, your Registration Form for Permanent Registration must be **postmarked** at least 30 days before the election and your Request for an Absentee Ballot must be received in our office (by mail or fax) no earlier than January 1 (or 90 days before an election if the election is held less than 90 days after January 1) and not later than five (5) days before the election.

DEADLINE FOR THE BALLOT TO BE RECEIVED IN THE ELECTION COMMISSION OFFICE

All absentee by-mail ballots must be received by the close of the polls on election night.

BARS TO REGISTERING & VOTING - CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION

Persons convicted of a felony may not register or vote unless their voting rights have been restored. To have your rights restored go to that State of Tennessee's website for more information:

www.state.tn.us/sos/election/restoration.htm

or

come to the Macon County Election Commission office located at 111 East Locust Street, Lafayette, TN 37083.

A persons voter registration may be cancelled (purged) for the following reasons:

- At the request of the voter.
- Ninety (90) days after a name change (except by marriage).
- Death of the voter.
- Upon notification that the person has been convicted of a felony.
- Written notification from the voter that their address has changed due to a move outside Macon County.